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FOLLOWING SECRETARY'S MEETING LAST WEEK WITH JOBERT, FRG EMBASSY (WASHINGTON) REPORTED THAT FRENCH STILL KEEPING THEIR COUNSEL ON PROPOSAL THAT FRANCE MIGHT TAKE THE INITIATIVE OF INVITING THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AND THEIR FOREIGN MINISTERS TO PARIS FOR NATO SUMMIT WITH THE PRESIDENT (REFTEL). ACCORDING TO RELIABLE FONOFF SOURCE, FRENCH AMBASSADOR (WASHINGTON) TOLD FRG AMBASSADOR VON STADEN THAT FRANCE CONSIDERED PROPOSAL "INTERESTING" BUT THAT POMPIDOU HAD NOT YET MADE DECISION. FRENCH AMBASSADOR REPORTEDLY FURTHER INDICATED THAT THE KEY ISSUE FOR PARIS WAS THE LEVEL RATHER THAN VENUE OF MEETING. BUT FRENCH AMBASSADOR WAS CAREFUL NOT TO RULE OUT EVENTUAL ACCEPTANCE OF PARIS SUMMIT.

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